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RESIDENTIAL FIRE 4760 Chuck Avenue

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 4760 Chuck Avenue, Saturday, September 11, 2021 at 6:34 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure.

Fourteen (14) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty (30) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief K. Dillard was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 6:52 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries. Red Cross provided assistance for one adult and two children.



It has been determined that the residence did

have a working smoke alarm. The home sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$20,000.00 building and \$10,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be intentionally set in multiple locations in the interior of the home. This fire is still under investigation. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 528-CASH (2274) or the State Arson Hotline at 1-800-762-3017. You could be eligible to receive a cash reward from Crime Stoppers of Memphis and Shelby County, Inc.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line at: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/ or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.